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GENE, METHOD FOR PREPARING
HYDROXYLATED CAROTENOID, AND
NOVEL GERANYLGERANYL
PYROPHOSPHATE SYNTHASE

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated May 21, 2008, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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